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Applicants : Toshiro TSUCHIDA et al.
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For : Video Game Apparatus and Control Method Thereof, and Program of
Video Game and Computer-Readable Recording Medium Having
Program Recorded Thereon

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Sir :

In response to the Official Action of July 9, 2003, in which a three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on October 9, 2003, and for which a one month extension of time is being requested to extend the period for response until November 10, 2003 (November 9, 2003, being a Sunday) applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the written description begin on page 2 of this Reply.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this Reply.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this Reply.

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AMENDMENT TO THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

Please amend the first paragraph of page 1 as follows:

a) The present disclosure relates to subject matter contained in Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-097576 filed on March 29, 2001, ~~the disclosure of which is expressly~~ incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.